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Mess Call
place: Wyatt's Cafeteria
Hancock Center

A VERY SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

Our regular monthly meeting for April will be on Thursday, April 11th. Besides our normal business and good times together, we are pleased to announce that we will host a very special guest speaker. We need your attendance at this meeting to welcome our guest(s).

STEPHEN KAUFMAN, the NY Div. SCV Commander and Cdr. of the Archibald Gracie Camp SCV will be journeying to Austin for the

primary purpose of speaking to you! His topic is "Little Known Historical Facts About the Confederacy". Compatriot Kaufman has quite a few accomplishments to his credit. He lists being probably the only unreconstructed Confederate living in Brooklyn as his greatest boast. Come hear more of the accomplishments of this New Yorker who is a true Confederate. We hope you will come with your family and guests.

NEWS FROM THE CENTEX BRIGADE

The Central Texas Brigade SCV is sponsoring a tour of the Robertson Plantation in Salado, Sat. April 13th. Preceding the tour will be an informal luncheon at the Stagecoach Inn. The Plantation was built in 1855. Much of the complete system survives to show what life was like in pre-war Texas. A direct descendant of the Robertsons will conduct the tour. Reservations need to be made prior to April 5th to Cdr. John Perry, P.O. Box 3151, Temple, TX 76505.

CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL DAY

"Lest We Forget"



The annual observance of Confederate Memorial Day will be on Sunday, April 28th at 2:00 p.m. in the LTG THOMAS S. BISHOP CHAPEL at CAMP MABRY. This chapel is named for our very own compatriot and chaplain.

We have been asked to furnish a COLOR GUARD. At the end of the ceremony, Taps will be played. Officers in the camp have been asked to give memorials during the service. We need to come in uniform, of course.

This celebration is not to be confused with regular Memorial Day which is held in May. Actually, this observance came first when the South chose to honor their fallen heroes. The North then decided that a like day was needed to honor Federal dead. So we have another Confederate first!

Honoring the fallen heroes of a country (in this case the South) serves to not only pay tribute to these who gave their all to their country, but also to serve as a means of identity. By so honoring these who have fallen, we are somehow aligned and tied to them in a personal way. Since this occasion happens only once a year and since honoring the Confederate soldier is one of our purposes, we have no doubt that ALL our members will want to come to give a few minutes of their time for so honorable a cause! Uniformed personnel are asked to come early to receive their assignments and prepare for posting the colors.

ADJUTANT'S UPDATE

Your adjutant is happy to report that out of the 17 names printed in the last newsletter as dues delinquent, only 9 remain unpaid as of this date. If you would like to help, contact these compatriots personally and ask them to pay their current dues.

SUMMER CONVENTIONS ON THE WAY

DELEGATES WILL BE NEEDED

The Texas Division SCV Convention will be held in Longview on June 14-15, 1991. A convention call will be forthcoming and will be printed in this newsletter. The Longview Camp promises us good Southern hospitality and fun.

The General Convention of the SCV and MOSB will be held in Columbus, Georgia the first part of August. Watch your "Confederate Veteran" for a convention call and information concerning this convention.

We will be needing delegates to attend these conventions on behalf of your camp to vote on Confederation business and otherwise represent Austin to the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Please consider this duty; will you be a delegate?

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ENLISTMENTS



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The Recruiting Sergeant was able to add four new names to our Camp roster this past month. Unanimously accepted into SCV membership at the March meeting were PATRICK REILLY, ALAN GARRETT, BOB HART, and JOHN LUEDECKE. We heartily welcome each of these new compatriots to the camp and ask that you make them feel welcome as only you know how.

Compatriot Alan W. Garrett joins the SCV upon the record of his Great Great Grandfather Henry P. Garrett who was a private in the 19th (Dawson's) Arkansas Infantry and who served from ca. May 1863 to October 1864. Alan was born on June 29 at Amarillo. He is a graduate student and resides at 2002 Fair Oaks Dr., 78745, #447-8749.

Compatriot Edwin Robert Hart, Jr. joins upon the record of his Great Great Grandfather Albert A. Blackburn who was a private in Co. A, 2nd (Ashby's) Tennessee Cavalry and who served from March 1864 until mustered out. Bob was born on March 26 at Ft. Benning, Ga. He is the City Manager of Georgetown. His address is 607 Meadowbrook, Georgetown 78628, #869-4226.

Compatriot John C. Luedecke joins upon the record of his Great Great Grandfather Buckner Abernathy who was member of Co. G, 12th Arkansas Infantry Volunteers and who served from November 1861 until he resigned due to poor health. John is a Controller/Office Manager. He was born on June 22 at Dallas. He lives at 3510 Valley Pike Road, Cedar Park 78613, #258-8055.

Compatriot Patrick M. Reilly joins upon the record of his Great Great Grandfather Charles S. Dyer who was a private in Co. H, 9th Texas Infantry and who served until he died of wounds sustained at the Battle of Shiloh. Patrick is retired from the USMC and was born on March 9 at Oklahoma City. His address is 2510 Sabinal Trail, Cedar Park 78613, #331-7238.

HUG A BLOOD DONOR



CONFEDERATE BLOOD FUND

As a community project, the camp gives blood to the Blood Bank under the name of the Conf. Blood Fund. This blood is for use of members of the Confed. organizations or any other person we choose. Our balance now stands at 34 units.

Those who were able to donate met on Saturday, March 30th for breakfast and then went to donate as a group. Won't you join these men and donate the gift of life to some person in need?

LITTLEFIELD BATTERY NEWS

Members of the Battery have three events to enter on their calendars for April. On Friday and Saturday, April 5-6, we will go to the Confed. History Symposium in Hillsboro for an artillery demonstration and encampment. On April 12-14 the Battery will join other reenactors from our camp at the Battle of Pleasant Hill. David Morris is to be the Artillery Battalion Commander. Then Battery members and all SCV'ers are needed to honor fallen Confederates at our Memorial Day Service on April 28 at Camp Mabry.

FRANKLIN MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

The FMA is close to completing its project of putting life-size busts of the five General officers killed as a result of the Battle of Franklin in the Carter House Museum. Three, John Adams, Otho French Stahl and Hiram Granbury have been completed. States Rights Gist and John C. Carter remain. Support is solicited for the funds needed to complete this project. If you would donate to this cause, send your money to P.O. Box 1641, Murfreesboro, TN. 37133-1641. A gift is sent to donors of \$50 or more.

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